



Féile an Earraigh

Spring Traditional Festival

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11 - 17 March 2013



*Saint
Patrick's
Weekend*
Bank Square *Marquee*

At First Light
Guidewires (with special
guest **Liam ó Maonlaí &**
Triona Ní Dhomhnaill)
A Tribute to Luke Kelly

Tim Pat Coogan | Senator David
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Belfast's Féile an Phobail, Ireland's biggest community arts festival, celebrates its 25th birthday throughout 2013 with many 'special events' leading up to our flagship 10-day festival in August (1st - 11th)

Féile an Earraigh is our traditional spring festival which this year runs from Monday 11th March until Sunday 17th March, featuring a city centre marquee in Bank Square with three-nights of traditional music and a host of local events in the Falls Gaeltacht Quarter (An Cheathrú Gaeltachta), including family events, exhibitions, dramas, readings and tours.

Tickets

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While it is our policy to be all-inclusive it is impossible to endorse all the venues in this programme.

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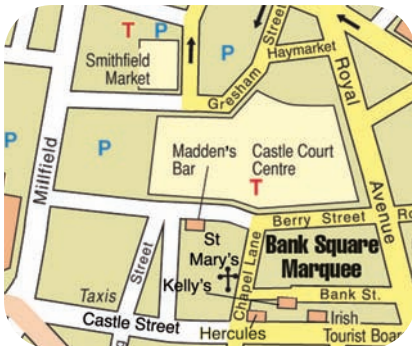
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RÉAMHRÁ/INTRO

Ceol, craic, cuideachta - agus rugbaí & GAA. Sin cuid de na hábhair a bheas a gceiliúradh le linn Fhéile an Earraigh 2013, an fhéile a fhágann slán le duibheagán an gheimhridh agus a chuireann fáilte roimh Earrach an tsolais agus an tsólais.

Tá séasúr na mbláthanna linn agus tá Féile an Earraigh ag bláthú arís i mbliana. Mar is gnách, beidh meascán tarraingteach de shiamsaíocht agus d'ábhair mhachnaimh a tharraingeoidh idir chairde agus strainséirí, bhunadh na háite agus dhaoine as baile amach, bíodh siad ag dul go Cearnóg na Bruaiche i lár Bhéal Feirste do na coirmeacha móra ceoil nó go Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich sa Cheathrú Ghaeltachta le taitneamh a bhaint as an chultúr dúchasach agus ar na tionchair sin ón taobh amuigh a shaibhríonn muid uilig.

Agus sprid na ndaoine in ísle brí mar gheall ar pholaitíocht agus ar eacnamaíocht, is iad na healaíona a choinníonn meanma ionainn. Tá Féile an Earraigh tuillte againn!



Travel with Translink to Féile an Earraigh:

click www.translink.co.uk or call 028 90 66 66 30

at first light

Supported by Réalta

Fri 15th March, 8pm, Festival Marquee, Bank Square



Masterful musicianship from **At First Light** - John McSherry, Dónal O'Connor, Francis McIlduff and guests – mixing traditional songs with the power and delicacy of duelling pipes, fiddle, whistles, guitar, bouzouki and bodhrán! Listen out for the plaintive call of the great Ulster anthem Aird Uí Chuain through to the Iberian swing of El Garrotín, an Asturian piping tune now part of the Flamenco tradition. **Réalta** have been praised by Mairéad Ní Mhaonaigh as "youthful, energetic and one of Ireland's finest bands producing stellar music". Prepare to be roused by this multi-instrumentalist group presenting an enchanting programme of dance music interspersed with the occasional story, air and song. Their well-received album, *Open The Door For Three*, was issued in autumn 2012.

Tickets - £10. Available at www.feilebelfast.com Sponsored by Translink Metro, Foras na Gaeilge, Tennent's NI.





Italy V Ireland, RBS Six Nations 2013

Sat 16th March, KO 2.30pm, Festival Marquee, Bank Square

On our large screen, live from Stadio Olimpico in Rome! **Ireland Rugby Union (IRFU)** have played **Italy Rugby Union (FIR)** many times with Ireland dominating the fixture ... but the results have been getting closer! **Free Event.**

THE BIG SCREEN

All Ireland Club Hurling and Football Finals

Sun 17th March, Festival Marquee, Bank Square 12pm-6pm

On our large screen (2pm & 4pm), live from Croke Park, the best clubs in the country in both football and hurling will compete in the 2013 All-Ireland Club finals. Come and enjoy the fantastic atmosphere of one of the GAA's highlights in the calendar year. **Free Event.**



Guidewires

(featuring Special Guests

Liam Ó Maonlaí & Triona Ní Dhomhnaill)

Supported by Alan Burke

Sat 16th March, 8pm, Festival Marquee, Bank Square

With their high-energy performances, breathtaking arrangements and their infectious melodies, it's no wonder that this band has been described as representing, "the freshest sound in Irish music". Their mix of music is not just Irish but also Breton, Middle Eastern and Galician, amongst other geographical influences. Featuring Pádraig Rynne, Breton

music's hottest name Sylvain Barou, Tóla Custy, Paul McSherry and Karol Lynch. Special guests include The Bothy Band's Triona Ní Dhomhnaill (vocals and keyboards) and Hothouse Flowers' frontman Liam Ó Maonlaí (vocals, piano and boudhrán). Expect to hear the high energy of a Guidewires' concert but with some classics thrown in from their guests.



Alan Burke's voice has been described as "full of power, sensitivity and clarity", his guitar playing characterised by strong driving rhythms alongside a more gentle and sympathetic approach to the quieter side of his repertoire which includes traditional Irish, contemporary and self-penned songs in both English and Irish. Alan has toured extensively and collaborated with the likes of Damien Dempsey, Michael McGoldrick, Niamh Parsons, Gino Lupari, Gerry "fiddle" O'Connor and many others. A new CD with his band Tulska, comprising of Alan Doherty & Seán Reagan was released in 2012. **Tickets - £10. Available at www.feilebelfast.com**

Sponsored by Foras na Gaeilge and Tennent's NI.



A Tribute to Luke Kelly

Supported by Belfast folk trio Ard Eoin

Sun 17th March, 8pm, Festival Marquee, Bank Square

It is said that in January 1984 the whole of Dublin grieved the early death of Luke Kelly, one of the greatest folk artists of the 20th century. Then, in 2001, at *ot Press* headquarters, before an audience that included Luke's siblings and relations, Chris Kavanagh and his friends gave an astonishing performance, 'A Tribute to Luke Kelly'. Immediately it was realised that Chris (who bears an uncanny resemblance to Luke) and

his musicians had captured the depth and passion and conviction of Luke Kelly. Since then, they have toured internationally bringing back a little bit of nostalgia for the 'rare oul times' and immortalising this well-loved man who expressed his social conscience and love of life through great music. **Tickets - £15. Available at www.feilebelfast.com Sponsored by Foras na Gaeilge, Becks)ier.**



Exhibitions, Readings, Talks, Films, Dramas, Tours, Schools



Anois ar theacht an tSamraidh - Launch of CD

Monday 11th March, 11am

Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich

Féile an Phobail in conjunction with Radio Fáilte are proud to host the launch of an innovative, new musical CD. In a mould-breaking musical first, this record is a collaboration between gaelscoileanna from across Belfast in association with record producers Rod McVey and Martin McBurney. Guest speaker, Gerry Adams TD. Proceeds from the sale of the CD will help to support the gaelscoileanna involved in this project. Mól an óige agus tiocfadh sí. **Funded by Ireland Funds & Foras na Gaeilge.**

CEOL AGUS TAISPEÁNTAIS MUSIC AND EXHIBITIONS

Bíodh tús ceolmhar leis an Earrach i mbliana agus bainigí sult as an ghrúpa de bhunadh Bhéal Feirste, At First Light - John McSherry, Donal O'Connor, Francie McIlduff agus a gcairde ceolmhara. Ag cur leis an spraoi, beidh an grúpa óg Réalta ar an 15 Márta

Dé Sathairn, líonfaidh Guidewires an t-ollphuball le meascán ealaíonta de cheol na hÉireann agus ceol na Mór-Roinne agus cuirfear fáilte ar leith roimh Alan Burke a bhíodh ina chónaí i mBéal Feirste tráth.

An oíche dheireanach, beidh oíche cheoil in ómós do Luke Kelly a athchruthóidh paisean an amhránaí Bhaile Átha Cliathach a fuair bás ró-óg i 1984. Beidh an comórtas bliantúil do chóir Ghaelacha ar siúl fosta.

Ó thaobh na bhfísealaíona de, tá dhá ócáid shuimiúla a reáchtáil, caint agus taispeántas le Robert Ballagh (á sheoladh ag Michael Farrell) agus taispeántas pictiúr Kieran Trainor, a fuair bás i dtuaisme i 1997.

The Book of Kells – The Hope of Something New

7th March – 24th March, St Mary's University College, Falls Road
Exhibition celebrating Belfast's shared heritage in The Book of Kells, exploring its story and looking at the link between creativity and spirituality in Ireland for both Catholic and Protestant communities.

"The Book of Kells symbolises hope, new beginnings and transformation; unity in the roots of the faith of our nation, and the foundation and importance of creativity in our heritage."

Contact carolrossborough@hotmail.co.uk or at 028 9002 2361.



Irish Myths & Legend

Mon 11th March

1.30pm - 2.30pm

Ballyowen Day Centre

The members of Ballyowen using textile and paper will create a colourful weave telling the stories of some of Ireland's Myths & Legends. (Part of Oscailt)



'Naoise Ó hEocháin' Art Workshops

Mon 11th – Friday

15th March

Suffolk Day Centre,
Stewartstown Rd.

Creative Art workshops inspired by the life and times of Naoise Ó hEocháin a highwayman in the 17th and early 18th centuries and said to have often hid out at the caves below the Hatchet Field on the Black Mountain, before he was captured and hanged at 'The Three Sisters', the gallows green near Carrickfergus Castle in 1720. The Exhibition will be on view in Suffolk Day Centre. (Part of Oscailt)

AN FOCAL LABHARTHA **SPOKEN WORD**

Tá an-bhéim ar an fhocal scríofa agus labhartha le linn Fhéile an Earraigh 2013 le scoth na drámaíochta - The Sweetie Bottle faoin síbín clúiteach in iarthar Bhéal Feirste agus I'll Tell Me Ma, dráma thar a bheith greannmhar ach a bhaineann le scéalta tromchúiseacha thriúir ban as Béal Feirste.

Beidh trí sheoladh leabhar ar siúl - The Famine Plot le Tim Pat Coogan, The House That Disappeared on Tory Island le hAnton Mac Caba agus úrscéal úr Danny Morrison, Rudi: In the Shadow of Knulp. Ar an dea-uair, beidh na húdair uilig i láthair le labhairt ar a saothair.



Kieran Trainor Exhibition

Mon 11th March, 7pm,

Launch by Gerry Adams TD, Cultúrlann

McAdam Ó Fiaich, Na Ballaí Báná Gallery

Promising West Belfast artist Kieran Trainor

(1964-1997) lived most of his life in

Beechview Park, off the Whiterock Road. Many of his paintings are from his childhood and of local scenes, including old derelict greenhouses and the British army fort at McCrory Park. Kieran went to the Belfast Art College where he made a great impression on his tutors and other students. He was living in Newry when he died from an accidental fall. This is the first time these paintings have ever been displayed for the public. (Runs from 9th March throughout Féile an Earraigh.)

Image: Greenhouse Montage

'Recording Our History' – the Public Records Office

Tues 12th March, 12 noon - 2pm,
Falls Library

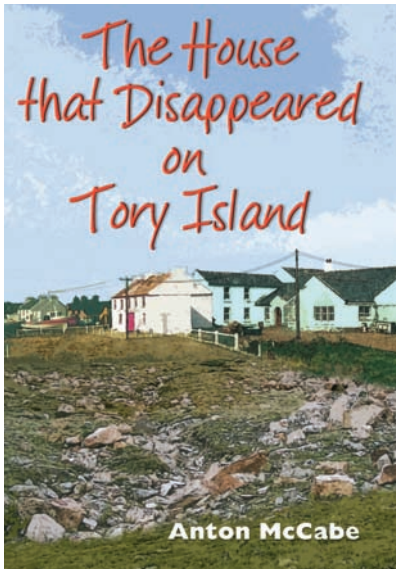


PRONI staff will give a short talk on the range of material PRONI holds in relation to the 'Decade of Centenaries, 2011 – 2021' including Home Rule, the Covenant, World War 1, the Labour Movement, the Suffragettes and the Easter Rising. PRONI would invite you to bring any of your documents that may relate to the events marked by these anniversaries with you. Our staff will be on hand to discuss how best to preserve historical documents. PRONI would like to scan copies of your documents for future use and some of the 'highlights' will be put on the PRONI website for all to enjoy. **For further information telephone Lorraine Bourke on 028 9053 4931 or email lorraine.bourke@dcalni.gov.uk**

Danny Morrison and Tony Macaulay Readings

Tues 12th March, 4.30pm, Falls Library

In the week of the launch of the sequel to the critically acclaimed bestseller *Paperboy*, Tony Macaulay will preview a reading from *Breadboy: Teenage Kicks and Tatey Bread - What Paperboy Did Next*, which tells the warm, funny and nostalgic story of his years as the breadboy in the Ormo Mini Shop in the Upper Shankill from 1977-1979. Author Danny Morrison reads from his recently published novel set in Ireland between 1946 & 1992, which is loosely based on Hermann Hesse's 1915, *Knulp*. Rudi is a loner with a secret, a tramp who was once a promising scholar until his heart was broken by 'the sumptuous, voluptuous Isabel'!



'The House That Disappeared on Tory Island' by Anton McCabe

**Tues 12th March, 7pm,
Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich**

Neville Presho, a film-maker from County Down, bought a holiday home in Donegal. He went off to work in New Zealand. When he returned to Tory Island he was traumatised to find his house gone and in its place were a car park and a septic tank. Galvanised by a chance meeting with writer Anton McCabe, Neville fought a long legal battle which took a heavy toll on his health and family life, but eventually resulted in a Dublin High Court ruling that Tory Island's richest man, Patrick Doohan, had demolished the house because it blocked his hotel's view of the sea! A fascinating story about one man's fight for justice, told by Anton McCabe. Q & A.



St Patrick's Carnival Costume Workshops

**Tues 12th March & Thursday 14th March
7pm -9pm**

Welcome Trust Divis Community Centre
Members of Welcome Trust will take part in Costume workshops for participation at the St Patrick's Day events in the City. (Part of Oscailt)



**'Mise - Scéal Cailín' by Branar
Family Puppet Theatre -
In association with Belfast Children's
Festival**

**Wed 13th March, 10.30am;
Thurs 14th March, 10.30am & 6pm,
Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich**

It is always a pleasure when Branar bring their beautiful and magical shows to An Chultúrlann, but we are especially looking forward to this one! This is the story of a little girl who can't sleep and a cloud that won't leave her. With beautiful puppetry, live music and animation, Branar tell the story of the night the girl couldn't get to sleep and the adventure she had trying.

**Tickets available at
www.belfastchildrensfestival.com**



**'Protestant Women of the Celtic
Renaissance 1880 – 1918'**

**Wed 13th March, 7pm,
Small Wonders II, 17 Morpeth Street
(off Northumberland Street)**

An illustrated talk by Ruth Taillon organised by the Pieces of the Past project which is a partnership of Shankill Women's Centre, Epic, Charter NI, Fáilte Feirste Thiar and Belfast Taxis Community Interest Company working with Falls Community Council's Dúchas archive. **Contact Claire Hackett - claire@fallscouncil.com tel 07734052717.**

SPÓIRT SPORTS

Beidh dhá imeacht spóirt ar siúl le linn Fhéile an Earraigh. Ar an Satharn, 16 Márta, beidh an cluiche rugbaí idir Éire agus an Iodáil le feiceáil ar an scáileáin mhór san Ollphuball i Sráid na Bruaiche. Ba cheart go mbainfeadh na hÉireannaigh ach tá feabhas ag teacht ar na hIodálaigh de réir a chéile. Tá do thacaíocht de dhíth ... b'fhéidir.

Ar an Domhnach, Lá na Féile Pádraig, beidh cluichí ceannais club na hÉireann le feiceáil, idir iomáint agus pheil agus Pádraig féin ag breathnú air thuas sna Flaithis.



‘The Long Journey Home’ Film & Discussion

Wed 13th March, 7pm, St Mary’s University College, Falls Road

A documentary film by Sean Murray & Glenn Gallagher of Relapse Pictures telling the story of the repatriation of the bodies of the Gibraltar 3 back to their families. A human story which also celebrates the lives of Dan McCann, Sean Savage and Mairead Farrell who were illegally executed on the 6th March 1988. Includes interviews with family and friends and reports on the extraordinary series of events which followed and which led to a concerted campaign of vilification of the West Belfast community and ultimately to the founding of Féile an Phobail. The film contrasts the struggle and isolation felt by the community during one of the most violent periods of the Troubles to a community now experiencing a period of cultural resurgence and political confidence. Hosted by Clonard Neighbourhood Development Partnership. Panel discussion to follow with speakers Joe Austin & Sean ‘Spike’ Murray.



'The Gospel According to Christy Moore'

Wed 13th March, 8pm, Clonard Monastery

You've got to be intrigued when a collective of singers and musicians from a Presbyterian Church (Fitzroy) plays the songs of Christy Moore in a Monastery (Clonard) on the Falls Road! Through the quality covers of Christy Moore's songs and some commentary by Steve Stockman (former radio host on BBC Radio Ulster and author of Walk O: The Spiritual Journey of U2) this evening will look at the spiritual in Moore's songs and the prophetic liberation and social justice of his work. **Free event.**

The Sweetie Bottle'
by Brassneck Theatre Company

Wed 13th March nightly to/including Sat 16th March, 8pm,

Roddy McCorley Social Club, Glen Road Belfast in the 1970s. The height of the Troubles. Upstairs from popular confectionery shop, The Sweetie Bottle, operates an even more popular drinking den. This shebeen is a place where punters come to escape the troubles around them and also to exorcise their own personal demons! Depicting a people who never ceased to find humour in even the darkest times 'The Sweetie Bottle' is sure to have you crying with laughter. Please be advised that this show contains strong language: 15+ only. **Contact – Roddy's 028 9030 0480. Admission - £8. At door. Available at www.feilelbelfast.com**





The Mill Tour

Thurs 14th March, Fri 15th & Sat 16th March,
11am, 12pm & 2pm, daily

Conway Street, Belfast

The Mill in Conway Street is a beautifully restored old Flax Spinning Mill which for over a century dominated the lives of Belfast people who were, in turn, responsible for the making of a linen industry famous throughout the world. Tour includes: history of the linen industry; story of the flax spinning mills in Belfast; & the life of a mill worker. (£6 at door)

Barra Best's Alma Mater

Thurs 14th March, 1.05pm,
De La Salle College, Andersonstown



Becoming a journalist was, says Barra, the best decision he ever made because each morning when he awakes he looks forward to work! Barra has been with BBC Northern Ireland since 2007 and his warm and witty broadcasting style has won him many admirers, even during his stint as the weatherman! He tells pupils at his old school about how and why he chose a career in journalism and that they should realise that there is nothing they cannot achieve if they put their minds to it.

Spaces for Places

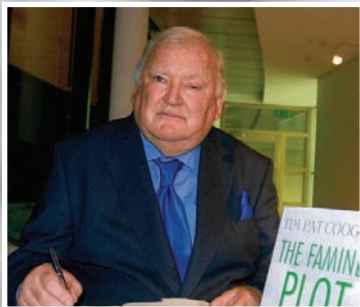
Thurs 14th March, 2pm-6pm

Old Andersonstown Barracks Site

Artists Charlotte Bosanquet and Deborah Malcomson and local writer Brenda Murphy have been working with Action on Disability Expressions Group, Upper Springfield Development Trust Youth Team and Newhill to produce this spectacular temporary public art structure. The audience will have the opportunity to participate in this interactive showcase and to celebrate the artistic achievements of their own community. "We want this artwork to be seen, enjoyed and experienced by as many people as possible and we welcome everyone along on the day," said Deirdre Mackel, Arts Programme Manager with the Upper Springfield Development Trust. **Contact: Deirdre - 028 9023 6677.**



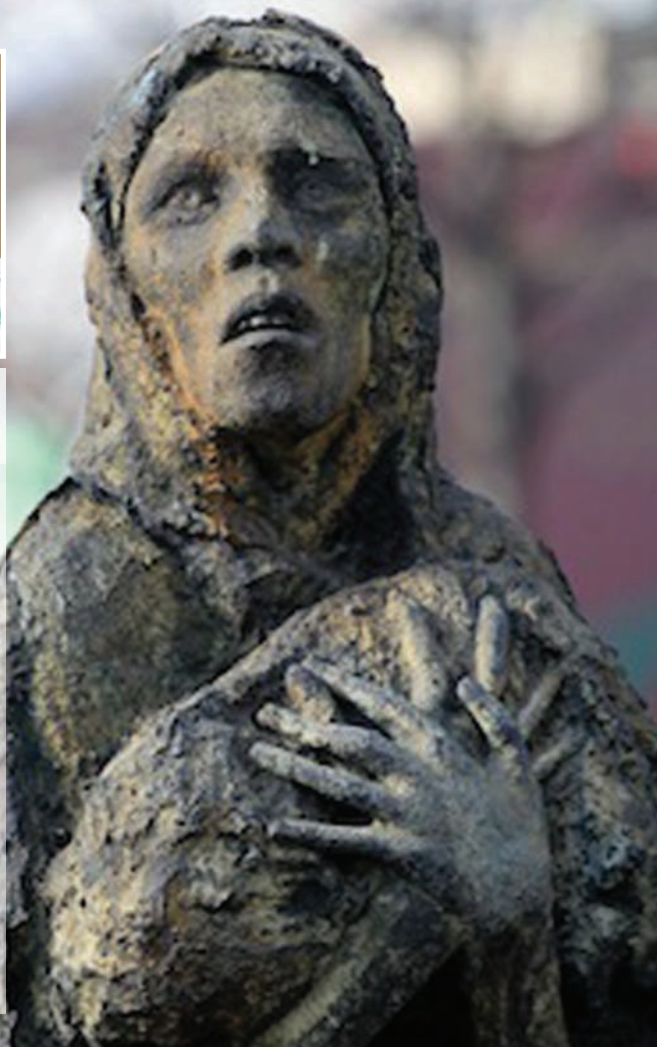
Join Féile an Phobail in our 25th birthday celebrations (1st to 11th August). Logo designed by Simon Blair, Belfast Metropolitan College.



'The Famine Plot'
by Tim Pat Coogan

**Thurs 14th March, 4.30pm,
Cultúrlann McAdam Ó
Fiaich, Falls Road**

Renowned author and historian Tim Pat Coogan on his latest book, drawing on recently uncovered sources, gives a fresh and comprehensive account of the Famine and argues that Britain was in large part responsible for the extent of the national tragedy, and in fact engineered the food shortage in one of the earliest cases of ethnic cleansing. Book signing and Q & A.



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Robert Ballagh Exhibition & Fund Raiser

Fri 8th March, 7pm,
Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich - Exhibition
Launch by Michael Farrell

Thurs 14th March, 6.30pm, An Chulturlann -
Féile an Earraigh Talk by Robert Ballagh

A substantial collection of prints and posters from the renowned Irish artist who enjoys national and international acclaim and whose

works have been exhibited in The National Gallery in Dublin, the Hugh Lane Municipal Gallery in Dublin, the Crawford Gallery in Cork, the Ulster Museum, the Albrecht-Dürer Haus in Nuremberg and many major cities. As well as his paintings, Ballagh has produced many posters, book covers, limited edition prints, the backdrop for the original Riverdance and the last Irish banknotes issued before Ireland's transition to the euro. Ballagh has generously



given his artistic commitment to a range of causes, both politically and socially, in the pursuit of an egalitarian society. In this spirit, and as a statement of his solidarity, he has donated this substantial collection of his work, with all monies raised being donated to the Pat Finucane Centre. Exhibition will run in An Chultúrlann from **Fri 8th March – Thurs 18th April**; and in **Glasnevin Trust Museum, Dublin, 26th April – 8th May**

Liberty on the Barricades (After Delacroix) by Robert Ballagh




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The Mystery St. Patrick's Day Quiz

Thurs 14th March, 7pm, Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich

Want to try something new? This is a table quiz with a difference... the venue remains a secret until you get there! Let's bring An Ghaeilge out into the city for Seachtain na Gaeilge! Rally your team and come and enjoy the big St. Patrick's Day Quiz in a mystery location in Belfast. Organized by Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich and An Droichead for Seachtain na Gaeilge 2013. Buses leaving from Cultúrlann and An Droichead at 7pm.

'I'll Tell My Ma' by Patricia Gormley

Sat 16th, 8pm

MacDiarmada GAA Club, Falls Road



Back by popular demand, a hilarious play about the adventures and misadventures of three generations of West Belfast women! Trisha (a 60-something with a passion for writing), Chelsea Marie (an air stewardess extraordinaire with a tangled love life), Davina Corrina (a 16-year-old schoolgirl with the taste for the high life and Russian vodka) and Granny Patsy (fighting the cruel blows of fate) are all struggling in their own ways to deal with changes in their lives and find a way forward. From the author of the hilarious and successful, 'The Bus Run' and 'The Girls From Crying Air'. **Supported by Unltd, WEA & Big Telly. (£5)** Available at www.feilebelfast.com

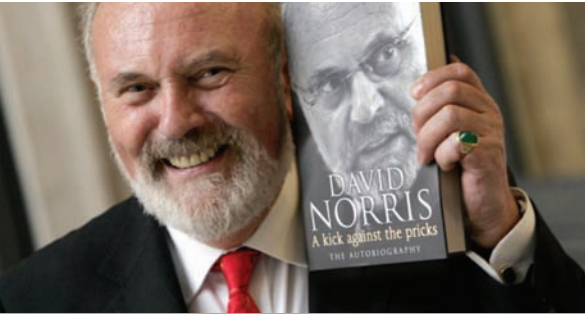


The West Awakes - Coiste Walking performance

Frid 15th – Sat 16th March, 11am Departing at Divis Tower, Falls Road

Think you know the West? Think again! Kabosh Theatre Company's theatrical walking tour, based on and enhancing the current popular political tours of West Belfast, brings to life the area's rich history and vibrant heritage. Starring Gerard Jordan and Antoinette Morelli, directed by Paula McFetridge, The West Awakes features five unique dramas by Kieron Magee, Jimmy McLeavey, Laurence McKeown and Roseleen Walsh, performed at St. Comgall's School, Conway Mill, Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich, City Cemetery and Milltown Cemetery. Tour numbers are limited so early booking is advised. Dress for appropriate weather and wear comfortable shoes. (£10). Contact: Fionnuala Kennedy - 028 9024 3343 / info@kabosh.net

KABOSH



Senator David Norris Guest Interview

Fri 15th March, 7.30pm
Coláiste Feirste, Beechview Park
(off Falls Road)

Oireachtas independent Senator David Norris is one of the most popular and colourful individuals in Ireland, the first openly gay person to be elected to public office in Ireland, a Joycean scholar, a member of the Church of Ireland, and a gay and civil rights activist who is credited with overthrowing "the anti-homosexuality law which brought about the downfall of Oscar Wilde". His and Martin McGuinness's candidatures for Irish President in 2011 electrified the campaign from which Norris emerged bruised but dignified, noble and honest and was perhaps too polite in the heat of battle with his opponents and a savage media. His best-selling autobiography, 'A Kick Against The Pricks', was published last October. In this interview with the award-winning BBC journalist and broadcaster William Crawley, David Norris talks about his life, his beliefs and convictions in his hallmark, animated, passionate humorous style. Seating limited. **Please book through Féile – 028 9031 3440. Free event.**



Music on the Metro

Friday 15th March 4pm to 6pm

Traditional Musicians from Andersonstown Contemporary and Traditional School of Music will board buses to entertain passengers. Various Metro routes to and from West Belfast. **Sponsored by Translink Metro.**



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'Hang in there' – Drama by Bronagh Diamond

Fri 15th & Sat 16th March, 8pm, Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich

After taking her life, Colleen finds herself in the company of Pól, a seasoned occupant of "the other side" whose questions force her to take a closer look at her past life in a bid to find peace in her new surroundings. When one door closes... when will the other one open? 'Hang in there' is a short play exploring one possibility of what could be waiting for us after life. This performance contains scenes and images that some audience members might find emotionally distressing. **Tickets - £5. Contact 028 9096 4180.**



Tour of Belfast City Cemetery

Sat 16th March, 11am, Assemble front gate, Falls/Whiterock Roads

Author and local historian Tom Hartley unravels the complex story of Belfast's privileged and poor through the graves of its citizens in this highly-praised walking tour. Approximately two hours long. **(£5 at gate)**

Tour of Milltown Cemetery

Sat 16th March, 11am, Assemble front gate, Falls Road

Pod Devenney will lead you through the story of the Belfast nationalist and republican community. It is the story of the dispossessed and of Irish rebellion. **(£5 at gate)**



Concertina Masterclass with Pádraig Rynne

**Sat 16th March, 11am – 1pm
Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich**

Take this opportunity to gain some valuable instruction on the concertina from one of Ireland's foremost and award-winning traditional musicians, **Pádraig Rynne**, founder member of the Guidewires. Pádraig is regarded as one of the finest concertina players in Irish music today being described by The Irish Alphabet Stew as "one of the freshest sounds in Irish music". **To register - contact Aoife at 028 9096 4180. (£10)**





**CEOL-A-THON with
Andersonstown Traditional &
Contemporary Music School
Sat 16th March, 12noon – 4pm,
Kennedy Centre**

Young Musicians from Andersonstown Music School will perform four hours of Irish Traditional Music in the main shopping mall of the Kennedy Centre. Organised by Leah O'Neill & Maxi. **For more details - (028) 9043 4894. Free event.**



**Bi-lingual St. Patrick's Day Mass
Sun 17th March, 10am, St. Oliver
Plunkett Church,
Glenveagh Drive, Lenadoon**

Why not start St. Patrick's Day the traditional way - with a visit to Mass? What's even better is that this Mass is bi-lingual so you can join in no matter what level of Irish you have. Tá fáilte roimh gach duine!
Contact: Glen Phillips, Parish Manager, 028 9061 8180



**Storytelling for Children with 'The Fadgies'
Sat 16th March, 12.30pm - 1pm, Cultúrlann
McAdam Ó Fiaich**

The Fadgies were Irish-speaking fish-and-fruit merchants who moved from Omeath to the Smithfield area of Belfast during the 19th Century. They sold their wares in Smithfield and St. Georges Markets and were well-known for their music and storytelling. Although many of their descendants still live and trade in Belfast today, Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich will be bringing these 19th century characters back to life for a special storytelling session for families. **Free event.**

**St. Patrick's Day Rosette Family Workshop
Sat 16th March, 2pm – 3pm,
Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich**

Make your own vintage St. Patrick's Day Rosette to wear at the St. Patrick's Day céilí. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. **Free event.**



St. Patrick's Day Céilí
Sun 17th March, 8pm,
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The St. Patrick's Day Céilí Mór is a long-standing Irish tradition. Our céilí is suitable for all ages and levels and Máire, our céilí caller, is always on hand to guide beginners through the steps. We will have a live céilí band and supper is served at the interval. (£6)

**St. Patrick's Day Pilgrims' Walk,
Slemish Mountain**

Sun 17th March, 10.30am, rendezvous Féile office,
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Slemish Mountain (437 metres) is the legendary first known home of Saint Patrick and what could be more fitting than to celebrate our patron saint with a pilgrim walk to the summit of this extinct volcano. Views include the Antrim and Scottish coasts, Lough Neagh, the Sperrins and Antrim Hills. Please wear appropriate attire, including sturdy boots, waterproof clothing, & bring packed lunch!

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THE LEGACY OF ST. PATRICK

**Thurs 21st March, 7pm, St. Oliver
Plunkett Parish Hall, Glenveagh Drive,
Lenadoon**

St. Patrick came to Ireland from abroad, spread Christianity and travelled throughout the country. What sort of a legacy has he left us? Rev. Dr Inderjit Bhogal is a Methodist Minister and leader of the Corymeela Community in Ballycastle. Fr. Feargal McGrady is originally from "St. Patrick's Country" in Downpatrick and is currently Parish Priest at St. Anne's in Finaghy. Together they will give their thoughts on our patron saint and what his legacy means for us in the 21st century. Followed by Q & A. Admission free (donations accepted). **Contact: Glen Phillips, Parish Manager, 028 9061 8180**

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**Draíocht Youth Arts Programme
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**Contact: Kevin Morrison, Youth Arts
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